| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | Nagaland | 52 | 2595 | 2581 | 2575 |
| 20 | Orissa | 308 | 31855 | 29823 | 31571 |
| 21 | Punjab | 142 | 15829 | 13341 | 13948 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 257 | 35710 | 35125 | 35354 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 5 | 500 | 498 | 994 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 431 | 44723 | 40421 | 13044 |
| 25 | Tripura | 39 | 3537 | 3507 | 3531 |
| 26 | Uttar Pradesh | 518 | 64582 | 54174 | 47616 |
| 27 | Uttaranchal | 54 | 4243 | 3606 | 3333 |
| 28 | West-Bengal | 337 | 53601 | 48210 | 47260 |
| 29 | A&N Islands | 5 | 527 | 429 | 429 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 3 | 300 | 300 | 300 |
| 31 | Delhi | 28 | 3842 | 3842 | 3842 |
| 32 | Dadra & N Hayeli | 1 | 138 | 138 | 138 |
| 33 | Daman & Diu | 2 | 87 | 84 | *77* |
| 34 | Lakshadweep | 1 | 74 | 74 | 74 |
| 35 | Pondicherry | 5 | 677 | 677 | 677 |
| | **TOTAL:** | **4761** | **629043** | **582194** | **525936** |

Note: Based on data reported by States/UTs Administration.

**Effective implementation of ICDS**

2464. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Integrated Child Development Scheme, popularly known as Anganwadi programme, started a decade ago under the aegies of United Nations Development Projects, is being affected due to official apathy;

(b) whether around 2.5 lakhs children are enrolled under this scheme, which includes education of economically poor kids;

(c) whether the aim of the project was to bring these kids at par with the children of middle class families; and

(d) if so, what are the main reasons for not implementing the child welfare project, effectively?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (d) There is no such programme being run under the aegis of UNDR However, Centrally Sponsored Integrated Child Development Service (ICDS) Scheme, launched in 1975, which aims at holistic development of children below 6 years and pregnant women and nursing mothers by providing a package of services comprising supplementary nutrition, immunization, health check-up, referral services and nutrition and health education and non-formal education is being implemented through State Governments.

As on 30.9.2002, about 332 lakh children, are covered under the Scheme.

The reports received from States do not indicate that the implementation of this Scheme has been affected due to official apathy.

**Pre-Harappan civilization**

2465. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of OCEAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Institute of Ocean Technology had indicated a likely Pre-Harappan civilization;

(b) if so, what is the basis for the exploration; and

(c) what further steps have been taken to conduct research in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b)The National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), Chennai of the Department of Ocean Development (DOD) Government of India had during the course of under water surveys in the Gulf of Cambay, Gujarat during Cctober, 2000 to March, 2001 come across a stretch of formations typical of a riverine regime in the middle of the sea at 30—40 m. water depth. An area of almost 9km. Stretch west of Hazira in Gujarat appeared to be lined with well laid house basement like feature